

As the Director of Broadcast Operations at a small public television station, I want to inform the commission of the hardship this will cause KPTS.

It has been very difficult to sustain operations the past four years, requiring a

layoff of 1/3 of the staff so this additional expense and workload will make that even more difficult. As we progress into the digital television arena with

more than one channel to record this becomes a much larger task.

It seems to me that while the idea has merit, the implication is that the broadcaster is guilty until proven innocent here. The complainant should be required to prove the charge first, not the station. I would suggest that those who have complaints filed against them be burdened with the responsibility of required recordings for some period of time. Other stations can, at their option and ability, do so for their own protection obviously.